DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NOTICE FOR THE SUBMITTAL TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE STATE OF UTAH'S 2006 SECTION 303(d) LIST OF IMPAIRED WATERS.

- 1. SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act as amended, each state is to identify those waterbodies for which existing required pollution controls are not stringent enough to implement state water quality standards. Thus, these are waters that are not currently achieving or are not expected to achieve those standards. Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act requires that a list of identified waterbodies be submitted to EPA for approval from "time to time." EPA regulations require that each state submit to EPA for review and approval a prioritized list and targeted waterbodies every two years. These regulations also require the State to develop total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) for those "targeted" waterbodies over the next two years.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Persons wishing to comment on the State's 303(d) list submittal may do so in writing by February 20, 2006. Comments must be received by this date to ensure consideration in the EPA approval or disapproval decision. All comments should include name, address and telephone number of the commentor and a statement of the relevant facts upon which it is based. All comments should be submitted to the Utah State Department of Environmental Quality, to the attention of Thomas W. Toole, at the address listed below.

The State of Utah's draft 303(d) list may be reviewed at the address below between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Copies may be requested by writing to the Utah Department of Environmental Quality at the following address or by calling (801) 538-6146. The list may also be viewed or downloaded from the Division's website, http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/.

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